

I also want to recognize the great work by the staff who have fought for years to bring this bill to the floor: David Watkins, Brandon Bragato, Henry Wykowski, and Lora Snyder of the House Natural Resources majority staff, and indeed, Miranda Miller and Emily Silverberg from my office.

Madam Speaker, I urge adoption of S. 1942 to finally provide the certainty and, yes, the predictability that National Heritage Areas need to continue to serve local communities and strengthen local economies all across our great United States.

Madam Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mrs. DINGELL. Madam Speaker, I rise in support of S. 1942, the National Heritage Area Act.

We currently have 55 National Heritage Areas in operation nationwide—these are sites of important cultural significances that also spur jobs and have a positive economic impact.

And yet, no standardized process for administering National Heritage Areas exists. This has led to inconsistent oversight and management, as well as uncertainty for the future of these sites and future sites. The bill we are considering today would fix this.

This bill would also include legislation I led this Congress that would extend the authorization of the MotorCities National Heritage Area in Michigan.

The stories told by MotorCities cannot be told anywhere else. They are the stories of how auto tinkers became titans, how the area helped establish and expand the United States as an industrial power, and how the automotive industry helped create the middle class.

Madam Speaker, I urge all my colleagues to support this important bill. And I thank Representative TONKO and Senator STABENOW for spearheading this effort, and I thank leadership for moving quickly to bring this bill to the floor before the 117th Congress closes.

Mr. MFUME. Madam Speaker, I stand here in full support of the passage of S. 1942, the National Heritage Area Act, which includes provisions from my bill, the Baltimore National Heritage Area Act, and creates a full reauthorization of the Baltimore National Heritage Area. The Baltimore National Heritage Area stretches over a majority of Maryland's 7th Congressional District, and includes important sites such as the Basilica of the Assumption, Mt. Clare Station and Roundhouse, and Edgar Allen Poe House. By reauthorizing this National Heritage Area through 2037 and updating the Area's map, this bill will secure federal support for Baltimore's most precious sites.

I grew up in Baltimore, amongst many of these historical sites, and I am thrilled to have provided this federal support to help preserve and celebrate the place I call home.

With reauthorization, federal support will continue to go towards local agencies and nonprofits who preserve and promote Baltimore's pivotal role in our nation's story and make strategic investments in cultural heritage tourism projects.

The annual economic impact of the Baltimore National Heritage Area is more than \$750 million, 6,400 jobs and \$61 million in state and tax revenue. The Heritage Area has served more than 15,000 youth from under-

served communities and provides continuous operation and program support to 35 historic museums, cultural attractions, and historic neighborhoods through a competitive grant program. I would like to thank Mr. SARBANES and Mr. RUPPERSBERGER of the Baltimore delegation for helping me advocate for this reauthorization, and thank Senator CARDIN for introducing an identical reauthorization bill in the Senate. I urge full passage of this bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. All time for debate has expired.

Pursuant to House Resolution 1529, the previous question is ordered on the bill.

The question is on the third reading of the bill.

The bill was ordered to be read a third time, and was read the third time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on passage of the bill.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. WESTERMAN. Madam Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will postpone further proceedings today on motions to suspend the rules on which a recorded vote or the yeas and nays are ordered, or votes objected to under clause 6 of rule XX.

The House will resume proceedings on postponed questions at a later time.

KATIMIIN AND AMEEKYÁARAAM SACRED LANDS ACT

Mr. TONKO. Madam Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (S. 4439) to take certain Federal land located in Siskiyou County, California, and Humboldt County, California, into trust for the benefit of the Karuk Tribe, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

S. 4439

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Katimiin and Aameekyáaraam Sacred Lands Act".

SEC. 2. LAND HELD IN TRUST FOR THE KARUK TRIBE.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

(1) the Katimiin and Aameekyáaraam land is located in the ancestral territory of the Karuk Tribe; and

(2) the Karuk Tribe has historically used, and has an ongoing relationship with, the Katimiin and Aameekyáaraam land.

(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) KATIMIIN AND AMEEKYÁARAAM LAND.—The term "Katimiin and Aameekyáaraam land" means the approximately 1,031 acres of Federal land, including improvements and

appurtenances to the Federal land, located in Siskiyou County, California, and Humboldt County, California, and generally depicted as "Proposed Area" on the map of the Forest Service entitled "Katimiin Area Boundary Proposal" and dated August 9, 2021.

(2) SECRETARY.—The term "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Interior.

(c) ADMINISTRATIVE TRANSFER.—Administrative jurisdiction of the Katimiin and Aameekyáaraam land is hereby transferred from the Secretary of Agriculture to the Secretary, subject to the condition that the Chief of the Forest Service shall continue to manage the component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System that flows through the Katimiin and Aameekyáaraam land.

(d) LAND HELD IN TRUST.—The Katimiin and Aameekyáaraam land is hereby taken into trust by the Secretary for the benefit of the Karuk Tribe, subject to—

(1) valid existing rights, contracts, and management agreements relating to easements and rights-of-way; and

(2) continued access by the Chief of the Forest Service for the purpose of managing the component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System that flows through the Katimiin and Aameekyáaraam land.

(e) SURVEY.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture shall provide to the Secretary a complete survey of the land taken into trust under subsection (d).

(f) USE OF LAND.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Land taken into trust under subsection (d) may be used for traditional and customary uses for the benefit of the Karuk Tribe.

(2) GAMING.—Class II and class III gaming under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (25 U.S.C. 2701 et seq.) shall not be allowed on the land taken into trust under subsection (d).

(g) WILD AND SCENIC RIVERS MANAGEMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this section affects the status or administration of any component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, including any component that flows through the land taken into trust under subsection (d).

(2) MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING.—The Secretary of Agriculture shall enter into a memorandum of understanding with the Karuk Tribe, consistent with the obligations of the Secretary of Agriculture under subsection (c), to establish mutual goals for the protection and enhancement of the river values of any component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System that flows through the land taken into trust under subsection (d).

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from New York (Mr. TONKO) and the gentleman from Arkansas (Mr. WESTERMAN) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from New York.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. TONKO. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on the measure under consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New York?

There was no objection.

Mr. TONKO. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.